TABLE 2 - WILD TURKEY WILDLIFE HABITAT RATING CRITERIA - QUALITY OF HABITAT ELEMENTS

Wildlife Species	Habitat Element	Plant Species Available	Management	Component Score ¹	Applicable Score ² Existing Planned	Applicable Practice(s) or Job Sheet(s) 3
Wild Turkey (Statewide)	Grain and Seed Crops	(LITTLE OR NO BENEFIT)	-	-		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Domestic Grasses and Legumes	A - Dominated by a legume species.	A-1 Occurs as hayland and receives normal agronomic treatments.	A-1 3		342 390
			A-2 Occurs as pasture and receives normal			511
			agronomic treatments including proper grazing height management.	A-2 1		512 528A
		B - In addition to a legume species listed in "A" warm season grasses are available including:	B-1 Occur in established stands and receive proper agronomic treatments for warm season grasses and properly managed by			590 Warm Season Grass Job Shee
		Switchgrass, Big or Little Bluestem or Indiangrass.	haying after July 30. OR Is managed under an approved prescribed burning plan.	B-1 4		Cool Season Grass Job Shee
			B-2 Occur as in "B-1". Stands receive proper agronomic treatments for warm season grasses and properly managed and maintained by annual grazing or mowing after July 30.	B-2 2		
			B-3 Occurs as in "B-1" and used as hayland except cutting does not occur after July 30.	B-3 1		
			B-4 As in "B-1" except used as pasture and not managed as above.	B-4 0		
		C - Dominated by a grass species other than above.	C-1 Occurs as pasture and receives normal agronomic treatments.	C-1 1		
			C-2 Occurs as hayland and receives normal agronomic treatments.	C-2 0		
		D - No domestic grasses and legumes.	-	D 0		

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Wildlife Species	Habitat Element	Plant Species Available	Management	Component	Applicable	Applicable Practice(s) or Job Sheet(s) ³
				Score 1	Score ² Existing Planned	
	Wild Herbaceous Upland Plants	A - Wild herbaceous plants dominated by one or more of the following species; Sedges, Milkweeds, Ragweeds, Panicum sp., ferns and Sheep Sorrel.	A-1 On a rotational basis, one-third of the total area is mowed or rotary brush cut at least once every three years in midsummer; of the remaining two thirds, one third is spring plowed (prior to April 15) to encourage early succession wild herbaceous growth and the remaining one-third is fallow.	A-1 3		314 647 Fallow Disking Job Sheet
			A-2 As in "A-1" except no spring plowing or disking.	A-2 2		
			A-3 Not maintained and will succeed to woody species.	A-3 0		
		B - Dominated by only a few species such as Goldenrod.	B-1 Occur, and are maintained as in "A-1".	B-1 2		
			B-2 As in "A-2".	B-2 1		
			B-3 As in "A-3".	B-3 0		
		C - No wild herbaceous upland plants.	-	C 0		
	Deciduous Trees and Shrubs	A - Open mature forest (Most trees having dbh > 11") with a well developed understory having a variety and interspersion of, at least three of the following species: Oak, Beech, Ash and Cherry.	cutting) and maintain			490 612 666
			Even-aged management of desired species is attained by clearing areas less than 100 acres in size and maintaining a balance of age classes.	A-1 6		
			A-2 Entire stand is clear- cut or cut to less than pole size timber (< 5" dbh).	A-2 0		
		B - Open mature forest dominated by species	B-1 As in "A-1".	B-1 5		
	other that	other than those listed in "A" or a single species.	B-2 As in "A-2".	B-2 0		

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				Score 1	Scor Existing F	e ⁻ Planned	Job Sheet(s) ³
	Deciduous Trees and Shrubs (Continued)	C - This element is primarily intermediate aged forest (mostly 11-14" dbh) dominated by species in "A". The canopy is sufficiently closed to reduce understory development.	and Serviceberry are retained. C-2 During silvicultural activities desired species are not favored and species such as Dogwood and Serviceberry are	C-1 4			
			retained.	C-2 2			
		D - This element is primarily intermediate	D-1 As in "C-1".	D-1 3			
		aged forest dominated by species as in "B" with the canopy closed sufficiently to reduce understory.	D-2 As in "C-2".	D-2 1			
		E - Immature shrub or early successional stage forest.	-	E 0			
	Coniferous Trees and Shrubs	A - Conifers are primarily Pines, Spruces or Hemlocks	A-1 Occurs as scattered trees or clumps of trees in existing hardwood stands.	A-1 2			612 666
			A-2 Occur in plantation stands of low density > 8 foot spacing.	A-2 1			Wildlife Conifers Job Sheet
			A-3 Occur in approximate equal numbers with hardwoods.	A-3 1			
			A-4 Occur in dense pure stands.	A-4 0			
		C - Other species OR no coniferous trees or shrubs available.	-	C 0			

TABLE 2 - TOTAL QUALITY SCORE

ELEMENT QUALITY RATING KEY

Total Score is: 0 - 4 = Poor 5 - 7 = Fair

8 - 11 = Good 12 - 15 = Excellent

¹ Component Score - This is the value of the Habitat Element with certain species composition and under a certain management.

² Applicable Score - To determine the proper rating, use the "highest" component score for the line entry which applies most closely or where all conditions have been met. Only one component score may be used per habitat element.

³ Applicable Practice(s) or Job Sheet(s) - These are relevant practice codes in Section IV of the FOTG, or additional references, that could potentially be utilized to achieve management objectives for the particular habitat element.